

Draft Energy and Telecommunications Interim Committee Work Plan Decision Matrix						
Topic	Why is this a topic?	Option A Banquet	Option B Cheeseburger	Option C Fries	Option D Fasting	Resources Allocated
The following policy topics have been suggested by ETIC members for evaluation and study.						
Study carbon sequestration	Klock	<p>.75 FTE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All of option B Include review of other Western state's efforts to address carbon sequestration Evaluate carbon transport infrastructure in Montana and use of carbon to recharge old or marginal oil wells Hold one meeting in a major area where carbon sequestration may be utilized Address 7 major elements addressed in the work plan in detail with a specific recommendation in the final report to address each issue <p>Deliverables:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draft legislation to implement recommendations Final report with recommendations and alternatives Issue papers and summaries 	<p>.5 FTE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All of option C Evaluate carbon transport infrastructure in Montana Detailed analysis of areas of Montana with potential for carbon sequestration Joint meeting with Montana Climate Change Advisory Council Address all 7 major elements addressed in the work plan at least a minimal level <p>Deliverables:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Potential legislation Final report with recommendations Issue papers and summary 	<p>.25 FTE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No carbon transport infrastructure review Summary of other Western state's laws regarding issues identified Panel discussion from energy industry officials <p>Deliverables:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Summary of Montana Climate Change Advisory Council findings Potential legislation 	No Action	
Study costs/savings of wind power development	Ryan	<p>.75 FTE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All of option B Examine economic indicators, including policy and incentives Evaluate transmission issues, with review of FERC and ancillary matters Identify cost of integrating wind and alternatives for reducing costs <p>Deliverables:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final report with recommendations and alternatives Issue papers and summaries Potential legislation 	<p>.25 FTE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analyze existing studies that outline the issue Host panel discussion Evaluate Montana utility resource plans and wind development <p>Deliverables:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issue papers and summary Potential legislation 	<p>.15 FTE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compile resource list of existing information on costs/savings Host panel discussion <p>Deliverables:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff white paper Potential legislation 	No Action	
Evaluate Public Power	Ryan		<p>.15 FTE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All of option C Identify state role Analyze regulatory framework <p>Deliverables:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff white paper Potential legislation 	<p>.05 FTE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review other public power in the West Track utility sale in Montana <p>Deliverables:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Summary of findings Potential legislation 	No Action	

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Evaluate Montana's Energy Transmission Systems	Klock		<p>.15 FTE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Map areas in Montana where energy projects are proposed and transmission lines Track planned transmission projects Identify use of incentives for development <p>Deliverables:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff white paper Map, summary 	<p>.05 FTE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Track transmission line projects Identify use of incentives for development <p>Deliverables:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brief summary of findings Potential legislation 	No Action	
The following topics are statutory duties or obligations of the ETIC.						
Review Administrative Rules	Statute		<p>.03 FTE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff provides copies of notices for adoption of rules Committee requests that it be copied on notification letters that the PSC or DPSR send to legislators who were sponsors of laws the agency is promulgating rules for Attorney monitors and provides synopses of proposed rules 	<p>.01 FTE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff provides copies of notices for adoption of rules Committee requests that it be copied on notification letters that the PSC or DPSR send to legislators who were sponsors of laws the agency is promulgating rules for 		
Review agency legislation	Statute		<p>.05FTE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee reviews proposals from DPSR and PSC and decides if staff should draft legislation for preintroduction 			
Monitor PSC activity	Statute	<p>.05FTE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitor or investigate aspects of PSC programs 	<p>.02 FTE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitor or investigate aspects of a program, if and when committee so chooses 			
Review utility USBP reports	Statute		<p>.02 FTE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee reviews utility reports and decides if any comments on compliance are needed and if staff should assist 			

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The following topics are <u>optional</u> and it is up to ETIC committee members whether or not pursue them.						
Revise ETIC Publications		.15 FTE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All of Option C Complete rewrite of <i>The Electricity Law Handbook</i> ETIC reviews and approves updates 	.05 FTE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide minimal updates to <i>The Electricity Law Handbook</i> ETIC reviews and approves updates 	.02 FTE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Request DEQ establish a working group to update <i>Understanding Electricity in Montana</i> ETIC reviews and approves updates 	No Action	
Total Available Resources						1.00

FTE Equivalents

1 Interim FTE = 16 months = 2720 hrs.

.05 FTE = 136 hrs = 17 days

0.1 FTE = 272 hrs = 34 days

.25 FTE = 680 hrs = 85 days

.50 FTE = 1360 hrs = 170 days

.75 FTE = 1530 hrs = 191 days

1 FTE = 2720 hrs = 340 days